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SUBJ: VISIT OF PANAMANIAN SPECIAL ENVOY

1. PANAMANIAN SPECIAL ENVOY MANUEL BALBINO MORENO VISITED ALGIERS AND DELIVERED MESSAGE FROM PRES. TORRIJOS TO PRES. BOUMEDIENE FEB. 15. HE ALSO MET WITH MINCOMMERCE AND SEC GEN FOREIGN MINISTRY.

2. FEB. 19 EL MOUDJAHID PUBLISHED INTERVIEW WITH PANAMANIAN ENVOY IN WHICH HE DISCUSSED STATUS OF CANAL AND ALSO PANAMANIAN-ALGERIAN RELATIONS. ON CANAL, MORENO SAID THAT FEB. 8 DECLARATION WOULD SERVE AS FRAMEWORK FOR NEGOTIATING NEW TREATY, WHICH WOULD PROVIDE FOR RETURN OF CANAL UNDER PANAMANIAN SOVEREIGNTY UPON ITS EXPIRATION. ASKED WHETHER GOP HAD SET OR PROPOSED SPECIFIC TIME LIMIT TO AMERICAN PARTICIPATION IN CANAL, HE REPLIED NO, THIS WAS SUBJECT OF NEGOTIATION, BUT HE EXPECTED PANAMANIAN SOVEREIGNTY TO BE RE-ESTABLISHED IN RELATIVELY SHORT TIME. ASKED WHETHER THIS POSITION WAS NOT CONTRADICTORY TO PEOPLE'S DESIRE FOR IMMEDIATE RETURN OF CANAL TO PANAMA, ENVOY REPLIED THAT POPULAR ASPIRATIONS FOR IMMEDIATE RETURN WERE SHARED BY GOP, "BUT THERE IS NEVERTHELESS FACT THAT CANAL IS OCCUPIED BY MILITARY FORCE; THIS IS A REALITY WHICH

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MUST BE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT." ENVOY WENT ON TO EXPRESS

APPRECIATION FOR THIRD WORLD'S SUPPORT FOR PANAMA'S
POSITION.
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